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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

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TENTH CIRCUIT

MELANIE MCCANN, NOELI	E
NELSON, LISA NIELSON,	

Plaintiffs - Appellants,

v.

No. 98-4049

BRYON L. ROSQUIST, D.C., P.C., a Utah corporation; BRYON L. ROSQUIST, individually,

Defendants - Appellees.

OPINION ON REMAND

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Utah (D.C. No. 97-CV-535-S)

Larry S. Jenkins (Mary Anne Q. Wood, with him on the briefs), Wood Crapo LLC, Salt Lake City, Utah, for the Plaintiffs - Appellants.

Brent O. Hatch, Johnson & Hatch, P.C., Salt Lake City, Utah, for the Defendants - Appellees.

Before LUCERO and PORFILIO, Circuit Judges, and COOK*, District Judge.

^{*}The Honorable H. Dale Cook, United States Senior District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma, sitting by designation.

LUCERO, Circuit Judge.

In <u>United States v. Morrison</u>, 120 S. Ct. 1740, 1759 (2000), the Supreme Court invalidated the Civil Rights Remedies for Gender-Motivated Violence Act, 42 U.S.C. § 13981, the civil liability provision of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994. The Court subsequently granted certiorari and vacated and remanded this case for further consideration in light of <u>Morrison</u>. Following <u>Morrison</u>, we must affirm the district court's dismissal of the instant action based on the Supreme Court's invalidation of the underlying statute. The judgment of the district court is therefore **AFFIRMED**.

The mandate shall issue forthwith.